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In re Application of Morikawa et al.

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For: Fatty Acid Transporter Proteins And

The Genes Encoding The Proteins

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This is in response to the "Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.182" filed on 18 March 2003.

DISCUSSION

Review of the record reveals a discrepancy in the named inventors. Specifically, the published international application lists "Yuri Kawai" while the declaration lists "Yuri Hio aka Yuri Kawai (Family name has changed from Kawai to Hio as a result of marriage)." The instant petition indicates that "after the filing of PCT/JP00/04549, her name changed from Yuri KAWAI to Yuri HIO due to marriage." The petition is accompanied by a signed "Declaration of Yuri Hio" stating that her surname changed from Kawai to Hio as a result of marriage. Based on the evidence now of record, it would be appropriate to accept the declaration of the inventors filed on 08 January 2002.

CONCLUSION

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Counsel's Deposit Account No. 19-0741 is being charged for the petition fee in the amount of \$130.00, as authorized by the petition.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch for further processing. The date of the application under 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (2) and (4) is **08 January 2002**.

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